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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

SUBJECT: Resume and Critique of Mission C169C

1. The critique for mission C169C flown on 17 August 1969 was held in the OSA Control Center at 1000 EDT, 26 August 1969. In addition to General Ross, representatives from the Deputy for Operations, IDEALIST Division, Intelligence Division, Deputy for Materiel, Security Staff, Communications Division, Avionics Division, Weather Division, Deputy for Research and Development, Office of ELINT, Office of Scientific Intelligence and HASC/OEL were present. Following personnel critiqued on applicable portions of the mission:

25X1A [redacted] - Mission preparation  
and execution.

25X1A [redacted] Forecast and actual  
Materiel.

25X1A [redacted] Sensors.  
Communications equipment and  
[redacted] target  
coverage and fighter activity.

[redacted]

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2. Mission C169C (Canned Route 1112) was alerted on 15 August 1969. [redacted]  
17 August 1969. [redacted]  
date. Total mission time was 4+25 hours. This mission was planned to collect electronic and photo intelligence from a point over the sea northeast of Hainan Island along the south coast of China to a point east of Foochow. The route was flown as briefed. Collection systems

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on board were the "H" configuration, T-35 Tracker and System 17B. The pilot for this mission was [REDACTED] This was his second operational mission. U-2R 058 was flown.

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Preplanned Mission Data:

Distance	1530 NM
Time to Landing	4+05 Hours
Mission Profile	Maximum Altitude
Takeoff Fuel	1088 Gallons
Fuel Reserve at Hi Cone	200 Gallons

3. Weather: The forecast was for Category II in cirrus and cumulus with light haze along the entire photo route. The pilot reported the weather as being better than briefed, except for Hainan Island which was obscured by high clouds.

4. Maintenance: The only write up was for minor fuel pressure fluctuations. The fuel pressure gauge was removed and replaced to correct this problem. Portions of the film from this mission were scratched, and some film telescoping was indicated.

[REDACTED] reviewed the film and will confer with Eastman Kodak to determine the cause and corrective action required.

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5. Communications: All communications and [REDACTED] operated satisfactorily.

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6. Intelligence:

a. Target Coverage. Photo interpretability ranged from poor to fair. Overall interpretability was fair, with 10 per cent cloud cover. Target coverage consisted of 47 programmed COMIREX targets, 16 bonus COMIREX targets and 44 non-COMIREX targets, for a total of 107 targets.

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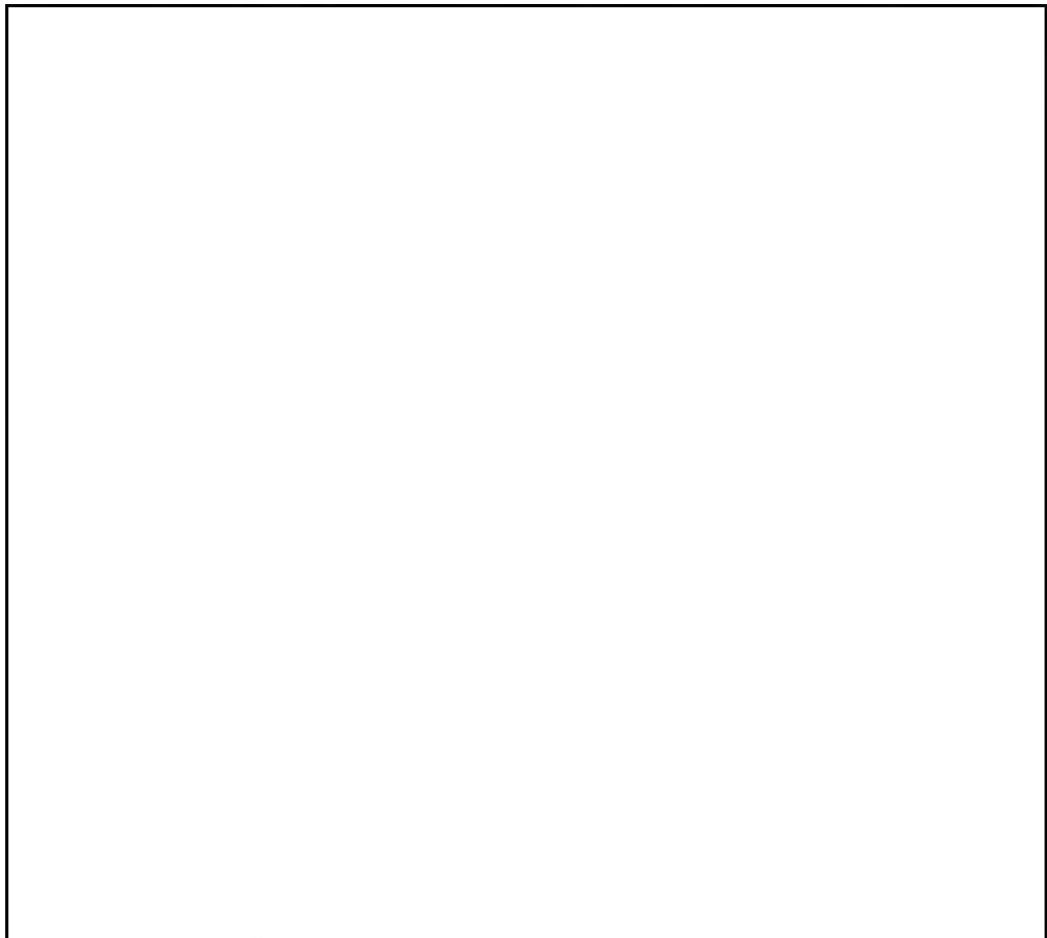
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c. Fighter Activity. No fighter activity was observed by the pilot.

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7. Actions Required: Eastman Kodak is taking follow-up action to determine the reason for the telescoping and scratching of mission film. Intelligence Division will plot actual track of the aircraft during this mission through use of tracker film report.

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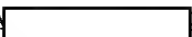
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Route Overlay

Target Coverage

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